permits, permission to use alcoholic beverages up to a point on medical advice by those who hold a permit. But what sort of liquor the man may use, is left to the doctor to prescribe. Also I want hon. Members to remember that the liquor must be available. A certain class of liquor is available for sale on permits, while certain other classes of liquor are not available, because they are not allowed to be manufactured. The doctor's certificate does not depend on the kind of drink but on the amount of alcoholic content in a particular kind of liquor; whether it is arrack or liquor or any other thing, it does not matter. It depends on how much the particular person should drink to get a particular amount of alcoholic content."

Sale of essences in the Nilgiris district.

* 50 *Q.*—Sri ALEXANDER GNANAMUTTU: Will the Hon. the Minister for Phohibition be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have verified the recent statement made by the Collector of the Nilgiris regarding the sale of essences;

(*b*) if so, the steps taken by the Government to stop their sale; and

(*c*) the exact quantity of these essences sold in the various districts of this State during the month of April 1952?

The Hon. Sri V. C. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER:—(*a*) Yes, Sir.

"(*b*) Government have since issued orders regulating the sale, possession and consumption of culinary essences in this State.

"(*c*) The information has been called for."

Audit report of the Government Transport Department.

* 51 *Q.*—Sri K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether an audit of the accounts of the Government Transport Department has been made; and

(*b*) whether the audit report, if completed, will be made available to the public?

The Hon. Dr. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"(*a*) The accounts of the Government Transport up to the end of 31st March 1950 have been audited and copies of the audit reports have been furnished to the Legislature Secretariat Library for being made available to the Members of the Legislature.

"(*b*) The question of making the audit reports available or otherwise to the public will be considered."

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SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR:—"Sir, will the Hon. Minister be pleased to consider the advisability of having annual audit?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"It is an annual audit. I said the audit for 1949–50 has already been made and the report is available. The audit for 1951–52 is being done. It is done annually by the Accountant-General."

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR:—"May I know whether the audit includes the checking of all accessories and also other spare materials in stock?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"I think it is done; but I would like to have notice."

One-way traffic near Central Station and Mount Road.

*52 Q.—SRI S. B. ADITYAN (on behalf of Sri V. Gurunandan Row): Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) the reasons for introducing recently one-way traffic near Central Station and Mount Road;

(b) whether representatives of the public were previously consulted in the matter; and

(c) whether the Government have received any complaints against this change?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"(a) to (c) The traffic changes regarding the one-way traffic near Central Station and Mount Road were made by the Commissioner of Police in exercise of the powers vested in him under rule 49-A of the Madras Traffic Rules, 1938. The Commissioner took into account the then existing public inconvenience but did not call for any conference of the kind referred to. Later, on the representations received by the Government they examined the question of continuance or otherwise of the traffic changes introduced by the Commissioner of Police and issued suitable orders."

SRI V. CHAKKARAI CHETTY:—"May I ask the Hon. Minister whether the Corporation of Madras was consulted in regard to the change in the routes, for after all, the Corporation of Madras represents the people of Madras, as the Hon. Minister himself knows very well?"

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"A conference was held, to which the Commissioner of the Corporation of Madras was invited and he took part in the discussion there."

SRI V. CHAKKARAI CHETTY:—"Sir, after all, the Commissioner of the Corporation of Madras is a nominee of the Government, whereas the members of the Council are representatives of the people, as the Hon. Dr. Krishna Rao knows very well. So